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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN/SUDANESE BORDER CLASH

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1. DURING MEETING ON OTHER SUBJECTS NOV 24, AMBASSADOR ASKED FONOFF USEC MIRGHANI WHETHER THERE WAS ANY SUBSTANCE TO LOCAL RUMOR THAT CLASH HAD RECENTLY OCCURRED SOMEWHERE IN AREA UPPER NILE PROVINCE BOUNDARY WITH ETHIOPIA. MIRGHANI REPLIED THAT ETHIOPIANS INDEED HAD INFORMED SUDANESE THAT ARMED INCURSION INTO THEIR TERRITORY HAD TAKEN PLACE. HOWEVER, THIS HAD BEEN CAREFULLY CHECKED WITH GENERAL STAFF HERE AND MALAKAL PROVINCE COMMANDER WITH ENTIRELY NEGATIVE RESULTS. FINAL INFORMATION CONFIRMING THAT NO CLASH KNOWN TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY FONMINISTRY ONLY YESTERDAY. AMBASSADOR SAID NEGATIVE RESPONSE SEEMED PUZZLING SINCE ETHIOPIAN INFORMATION PRESUMABLY BASED ON SOME HAPPENING. MIRGHANI AGREED BUT SAID GOS HAS NO REPEAT NO POSITIVE INFORMATION THEREON.

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